

Agency 390

**Washington State Historical Society****Recommendation Summary**

Dollars in Thousands

|                                      | Annual FTEs | General Fund State | Other Funds | Total Funds |
|--------------------------------------|-------------|--------------------|-------------|-------------|
| <b>2007-09 Expenditure Authority</b> | 52.8        | 7,356              | 2,910       | 10,266      |
| <b>Total Maintenance Level</b>       | 52.8        | 6,416              | 2,518       | 8,934       |
| Difference                           |             | (940)              | (392)       | (1,332)     |
| Percent Change from Current Biennium | 0.0%        | (12.8)%            | (13.5)%     | (13.0)%     |
| <b>Performance Changes</b>           |             |                    |             |             |
| Agency Reduction                     | (3.0)       | (672)              |             | (672)       |
| Historical Society Merge #           | 38.4        | 3,697              | 3,104       | 6,801       |
| Consolidation Savings                | (6.0)       | (1,000)            |             | (1,000)     |
| Employee Health Insurance            |             | 65                 | 9           | 74          |
| Governor-Directed Freeze             |             | (214)              |             | (214)       |
| Actuarial Method Changes #           |             | (82)               | (10)        | (92)        |
| <b>Subtotal</b>                      | 29.4        | 1,794              | 3,103       | 4,897       |
| <b>Total Proposed Budget</b>         | 82.2        | 8,210              | 5,621       | 13,831      |
| Difference                           | 29.4        | 854                | 2,711       | 3,565       |
| Percent Change from Current Biennium | 55.7%       | 11.6%              | 93.2%       | 34.7%       |

**PERFORMANCE LEVEL CHANGE DESCRIPTIONS****Agency Reduction**

State support for the Washington State Historical Society is reduced by 10 percent.

**Historical Society Merge #**

The Washington State Historical Society and the Eastern Washington Historical Society are merged into one agency. Consolidation combines similar agency activities such as museum operations, exhibit preparation, and education services. Capital grant programs are also transferred from the Department of Archeology and Historic Preservation to consolidate the grant process for historical preservation.

**Consolidation Savings**

The consolidation of the state historical societies saves the state \$500,000 per year by eliminating redundant positions and by combining similar activities such as museum operations, exhibit preparation, and education services.